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I can understand your position on making foods safer to consume. However, I believe that you have overlooked the real problem. Once again you are "treating the symptom and not the disease" as is so common in today's "got-to-have-it-now" societies. Irradiated foods greatly diminishes their nutritive value - and creates substance for the body that is almost (if not completely) without enzymes - essential to life. Perhaps it is wiser to address the way in which food is grown, prepared, and presented. Irradiation of food can easily be compared to nuking a city because there is a plague spreading, rather than finding the cause of the plague, combating it and then taking steps to see that this plague can no longer take hold in the population.

Please reconsider your stand on irradiation - AT LEAST GIVE US THE OPPORTUNITY TO KNOW WHAT FOODS ARE IRRADIATED BY CAUSING THE VISIBLE LABELING OF THESE FOODS.

I hope that you will consider this, as well as the other pleas sent to you for the protection of our population.

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